USDA Forest Service Pacific Northwest Region, R6



Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest Everett, WA

OUTREACH NOTICE

Social Scientist Student Intern GS-0199-5

Position

The Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest is seeking candidates for a GS-0199-5 Social Science Student Intern position. The position will be advertised through the Forest Service Pathways Program as a Student Intern (Social Sciences) indefinite position which allows for non-competitive conversion to a permanent employee at the GS-9 target grade after successful completion of education degree requirements and on-the-job training.

This position will be filled through USAJOBS vacancy **15-R6-INDEF-0199-5-PW** from April 13th to 17th, 2015. Interested applicants must complete the application process and submit all required documents electronically via email by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on the April 17th, 2015.

In order to qualify for the GS-05 Pathways internship:

- Must be a U.S. citizen
- Completion of a bachelor's degree or equivalent
- Must be enrolled at least on a half-time basis or accepted for enrollment as a degree/certificate seeking student
- Must be in good academic standing as defined by academic institution
- Must submit unofficial transcript(s) or verification documentation. Official transcripts will be required if the applicant is selected for a position.

Follow these directions to apply:

- 1. Go to https://my.usajobs.gov/
- 2. If you are a first time user you will have to create a profile; if not, login using your current USAJobs login information. Skip to number 4 if you have already created a profile and resume.
- 3. Click on: RESUME. Enter your information to build a resume or up-load your own.
- 4. After your resume is ready, you can apply for jobs. Click on "Search Jobs". Search for the GS-5 announcement by inputting the desired duty location into the Location box. You can also search for a specific position by inputting the *exact* announcement number (15-R6-INDEF-0199-5-PW) into the search window.
- 5. Make sure the Announcement number is **EXACT** and you've chosen the correct duty station.
- 6. Click the "Apply online" button, and follow the steps to complete the online application, being sure to read each question carefully and answering completely.
- 7. **REMEMBER** to upload your current transcripts and enrollment verification. Transcripts must include:
 - a. Student's full name:
 - b. Name of the school;
 - c. Current Grade Point Average;
 - d. Past and current coursework;
 - e. Degree program.
- 8. Submit your application and check back from the home page under "Application Status".

If you have any questions about the position or how to apply please contact **Mike Schlafmann** mschlafmann@fs.fed.us or 452-783-6063 or **Dave Redman** dredman@fs.fed.us or 425-783-6024.

The Pathways Intern position provides students in colleges, trade schools and other qualifying educational institutions with paid opportunities to work in agencies and explore Federal careers while completing their education. While the student intern completes the degree, the work schedule will occur around their school schedule. Normally, this consists of part-time work throughout the school year and full-time work during the summer months.

Duty Station: Everett, Washington

Major Duties of the Position

The intern will assist Forest Program Managers in conducting analysis of the need for and consequences of more outfitting and guiding on the National Forest.

- Developing, editing and modifying environmental analyses of guided recreation effects on social values such as visitor experience, as well as wilderness, and bio-physical resources.
- Planning and participating in public meetings and forums.

Forest Information

The Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest covers over 1.7 million acres that extends 140 miles along the western slopes of the Cascade Mountains from the Canadian border to Mt. Rainer National Park. The Forest covers portions of Whatcom, Skagit, Snohomish, King and Pierce



Counties. Together, these counties contain over 55 percent of the state's total population. Nearly five million people live in or near the Puget Sound metropolitan area (Everett-Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia). Another two million people live in southwest British Columbia (Vancouver) and make frequent use of the Forest. This coupled with the fact that four major mountain passes cross the Cascades through the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, making this one of the most visited National Forests in the country.

The Forest includes four ranger districts (many combined over the years) and several public service venues during the heavy recreation season (Verlot, Glacier/Heather Meadows, Snoqualmie Pass, Enumclaw), including the Outdoor Recreation Information Center in downtown Seattle at the REI Flagship Store. The Forest includes nine wilderness areas, the Skagit W&SR, four RNAs, three scenic byways and one NRA.

Within a short drive from the Seattle Metropolitan area, the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest hosts a very active and complex recreation and lands programs and is focusing on restoration of the landscape for resiliency, habitat for fish and wildlife, and diversity of flora. The Forest is the largest supplier of hiking, camping, mountaineering, skiing (4 ski areas), sightseeing, backpacking (Pacific Crest Trail, Pacific Northwest Trail) and other popular recreational activities in the Puget Sound area. The Forest has the highest visitation within Region 6, and hosts more visits combined than the three national park units in the Puget Sound. The Forest has a strong culture of working closely with tremendous partners. The program area of responsibility and the North Cascades landscape are complex, challenging and world class! *You will enjoy working here.*

Area Information

SUPERVISOR OFFICE: The duty station is located at Everett, Washington, population estimated to be around 100,000 (2010), which is located along Interstate 5, approximately 25 miles north of Seattle. The city offers full services and the surrounding suburbs of offer the amenities of a large metro area, yet the benefits of rural settings. Recreational opportunities are plentiful, including hiking, whitewater rafting, kayaking, skiing, hunting and fishing. The cost of living in the area is high; however employees receive a locality pay adjustment (2011 is 21.81%).

HOUSING: No government housing is available, but there is a wide variety of housing available in towns along the Interstate 5 corridor from Smokey Point/Arlington (13/19 miles north), Marysville/Lake Stevens area (6/8 miles northeast) to the Seattle/Bellevue area (29 miles south) and Monroe area (19 miles east). Current real estate listings start at \$250,000 and go up from there. Rentals are available in many of the local communities. Recent listings show monthly rates in the \$1,000 to \$2,000/month range.

WEATHER: The area experiences four distinct seasons but is moderated by the maritime influence of the Puget Sound, with mild summers, annual average precipitation of 38 inches, with occasional winter snowfall in the metro area. The North Cascades receive significant snowpack (Mt. Baker holds the world snowfall record at 1,120 inches in 1999-2000) that contributes to the many glaciers and outstanding fisheries across the landscape.

SCHOOLS, HEALTH CARE & OTHER SERVICES: There is an abundance of outstanding schools, colleges, hospitals, health care providers, specialists, shopping, churches, entertainment and services abound. For additional information on the area, please consult the following links:

The city of Everett: http://everettwa.org/

The city of Everett Chamber of Commerce: http://www.everettchamber.com/

City of Everett Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Everett, WA

The city of Monroe: http://www.ci.monroe.wa.us/index.php
The city of Snohomish: http://www.ci.snohomish.wa.us/

The city of Marysville: http://marysvillewa.gov/

Arlington Chamber of Commerce: http://www.ci.arlington.wa.us/ South Snohomish County Chamber: http://www.sscchamber.org/

The city of Mill Creek: http://www.cityofmillcreek.com/

The city of Bothell: http://www.ci.bothell.wa.us/
The city of Mukilteo: http://www.ci.mukilteo.wa.us/
The city of Edmonds: http://www.ci.edmonds.wa.us/
The city of Mountlake Terrace: http://www.cityofmlt.com/

Thank you for your interest, and we look forward to hearing from you!

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